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TAGS: PPDC, JO
SUBJECT: HUSSEIN VISIT

REF: STATE 229150

1. ACCORDING TO OUR LATEST INFORMATION, KING HUSSEIN WILL NOT RETURN FROM LONDON BEFORE NEXT MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18. MEANWHILE, I AM SCHEDULED TO PRESENT MY CREDENTIALS TO CROWN PRINCE HASSAN AS REGENT ON SEPTEMBER 17. UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES AND GIVEN NEED TO BEGIN PLANNING, I DECIDED TO HAVE DCM PASS INFORMATION REGARDING DATES OF VISIT TO CP HASSAN.

2. DCM EXPLAINED TO HASSAN ON SEPTEMBER 12 THAT ON OCCASION OF MY FIRST MEETING WITH KING HUSSEIN I WOULD PASS PERSONAL MESSAGE TO KING FROM PRESIDENT INVITING KING TO MEET WITH HIM IN WASHINGTON ON OCTOBER 17. DCM ADDED THAT, DRAWING ON PARA. 2 REFTTEL, THIS WOULD BE OFFICIAL TWO-DAY VISIT WITH PRESIDENT'S PARTICIPATION LIMITED TO FIRST DAY. KING WOULD BE IN BLAIR HOUSE THROUGHOUT PERIOD OF STAY IN WASHINGTON AND PROGRAM WOULD INCLUDE DINNER AT WHITE HOUSE FOR KING AND QUEEN. HE EXPLAINED THAT WE WERE PASSING GIST OF PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL MESSAGE AT THIS TIME IN ORDER THAT KING COULD BE GIVEN AS MUCH ADVANCE NOTICE AS POSSIBLE RE-CONFIDENTIAL

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GARDING PROPOSED VISIT DATES, ADDING AMBASSADOR WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS SUBJECT WITH KING DURING HIS FIRST MEETING WITH HUSSEIN.

3. HASSAN EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE ADVANCE INFORMATION REGARDING THE INVITATION AND SAID THAT HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH KING IMMEDIATELY. VELIOTES

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